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If you change your address, telephone number, or e-mail address, please call or email Ellen Bagley, Membership Chair, (See phone & email above) to update our directory database and mailing list. Be sure to add your zip + 4 code. Thank you.

> Send information for Trumpetings to Aaron Sheaffer

Our April Meeting — April 27 and 28

In January, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 325 W Ash St, Piqua, OH 45356, dedicated its new **3-manual Allen Q-390** organ—a four manual specification built into a three manual console (the Solo division is floating). It replaces a Schantz that had fallen into disrepair...too expensive to restore / repair.

The new Allen includes "seven organs in one": Classic Allen voicing, Schlicker voicing, English Cathedral voicing, Arp Schnitger voicing, French Cavaille-Coll voicing, Aeolian-Skinner voicing and Orchestral voicing. It can be changed from one voicing to another in a matter of seconds. The church has chosen the English Cathedral voicing as the default voicing mode. It is quite a spectacular instrument.

Dayton Chapter will attend the **Dedication Recital**, **Friday**, **April 27**, 7:30pm. Then, on Saturday Morning April 28, 10:00am - 12:30pm, we will hold a **Workshop**. This will be a good time to find out about the latest in digital additions to organs. (BE SURE to see correct driving route to the church later in this issue! There's a serious detour otherwise.)



The guest organist will be Nicholas Bowden Senior Organist at Atlanta's 10,000 member Peachtree Presbyterian Church, the largest Presbyterian Church in the United States, a position he has held since 1993.

Nick enjoys a national reputation as a church musician and entertainer. His energetic performances coupled with a unique sense of humor bring a fresh light to the world of organ music.

Mr. Bowden has performed in venues across the United States and in Europe as both an organ soloist and conductor. He travels extensively, has a great love of politics and architecture, but his true passion has been and remains — people.

CORRECT Directions: Your GPS could easily lead you astray on your trip to Pigua Westminster Presbyterian Church. Route 36 is closed at I-75. The short, easy way from south of Piqua is to get off I-75 at EXIT 78 and turn LEFT at the bottom of the ramp. You will then be on **County Road 25-A** (the old Dixie highway). Continue about 4 miles into downtown Piqua. Cross Water Street before making another LEFT on to HIGH STREET. Continue 1-1/2 blocks before turning **RIGHT** into parking lots which are on the back (South) side of the church. See you there!

• Sunday, April 15, 4 pm – Dayton Philharmonic Chamber Chorus, Hank **Dahlman**, Director – first solo concert. Epiphany Lutheran Church. Selections by Britten, Faure, Lauridsen, Rutter. Tickets available at the door.

Positions Available

To list job openings contact: Terry Donat, Placement Coordinator (See contact info above)

Position: Organist 1 Sunday/month Church: Trinity Lutheran Church, 4

blocks north of Shiloh Church on Main. Choir rehearsal 9:30 on

Sunday, service at 10:30.

Contact: Cleva Collar 937-836-3275.

Church: St John's United Church

of Christ, 201 West

Street, Germantown, Ohio Market

45327

Organ: 2 pipe organs; Sanctuary:

Barkhoff Tracker (17 ranks); 2nd organ: **Brombaugh Tracker** (1974) (336 pipes)

Contact: Send resume to: St John's

UCC, Att'n Organist Search (Carol Root or Barry Wachter), Complete Job description available upon request;

Position: Organist

1 service at 10:30a No Choir rehearsal

Church: St Margaret's Episcopal Address: 5301 Free Pike Trotwood,

Organ: Rodgers Electronic (2

manual.)

Contact: Jim Bolden

Hm: 242-7197; cell 677-5001

Position: Part -time Choir Director Church: Christ Episcopal Church

63 E. Church St.,

Xenia. Oh

Contact: Rev. Lynn Sinnott

revlynn@rhtns.com 937-561-3722 cell

Position: Organist - Service Only

10:30 AM **ELW Liturgy**

Church: Triumphant Cross Lutheran

525 North Broadway St Trotwood, OH

Contact: Rev Melvin Younger, 937 602 4755

Our March Meeting was A Bach Birthday Bash, Sunday, March 18, 3pm, First Baptist Church. Paul Barte, Professor of Music at Ohio University, starred as the old

master **J. S. Bach** and played his music. Birthday

refreshments followed.



Historic Organ Awarded Citation / Recital



Holtkamp Organ Pipe Display Assumption Chapel – Saint Charles Senior Living Community

The Holtkamp organ in Assumption Chapel at St. Charles Senior Living Community in Carthagena, Ohio [north on SR 127] has been awarded a Citation Certificate by the Organ Historical Society.

The award is given "to recognize pipe organs which have been deemed to be of historical value as worthy of preservation." The instrument in Assumption Chapel is the work of renowned organ builder and designer Walter Holtkamp who founded the Holtkamp Organ Company based in Cleveland. Holtkamp was revered not only for acoustical perfection, but also for his highly admired

architectural display. The 1961 instrument remains in its original construction and design: 29 ranks; three manual and pedal divisions; electro-pneumatic registration.

The Citation Certificate will be presented at a recital April 17, 2012 at 7 **pm in Assumption Chapel** performed by OHS Historic Organs Citation Committee Chair, **Dr. Stephen Schnurr**. In addition to his work with the OHS, Schnurr is Director of Music and Organist at St. Paul's Catholic Church, Valparaiso, Indiana. The program will include works by Buxtehude, Bach, Horatio Parker, and Charles-Marie Widor.

American Guild of Organists 2012 National Convention

The Nashville Chapter of the AGO invites you to Tennessee for a world-class

convention, July 1-6, 2012. We have planned the schedule with your convenience in mind: Convention hotels in the heart of downtown; luxury motor coaches, with no need for early-morning departure times; ample time between events for meals; all venues air-conditioned; 65 workshops, all in the morning and just steps from your hotel room. Recitals and worship services in the afternoon.

Famous for our Southern hospitality, Nashville offers you a week you will long remember: Great City. Great Music. Great Organs. A Great Convention. Register online: ago2012.org.

New York Organ Tour October 8-12, 2012

Mark Thewes, organist and composer, member of Canton, Ohio Chapter, will lead an organ tour of New York City set up by Witte Tours with Loren Veigel as tour manager. If you visit the website listed you can get complete details of the event. A minimum of 15 people are needed for the tour, so tell all your organist friends about it! http://www.wittetravel.com/calendar-tours/new-york-city-organ-study-tour/

More Placements:

Church: The Episcopal Church of

the Ascension 2709 McGee Avenue, Middletown, OH 45044

Position: Interim Organist/

Choirmaster (Part-time)

Contact: The Reverend Elaine Caldbeck, Ph.D., Rector Church: (513) 424-1254

> Cell: (513) 292-9942 Email:

ecaldbeck@gmail.com Ascension is seeking an experienced musician to lead our Sunday worship service, direct our choir, and provide liturgical & ministerial leadership to our music program. Ascension has a tradition of quality organ and choral music embracing a traditional Anglican style, as well as quality renewal music. Candidates demonstrating a broad choral and keyboard ability preferred. Familiarity with Episcopal liturgy is a plus. Number of Services: 1, Rehearsals: 2, Hours per week: 12-15 /negotiable

Organ:

Holtkamp Organ Co. 2 manuals; 15 ranks

Carillon: 35 bell Memorial Carillon

Compensation Information:

Annual Salary: Negotiated based on hours, experience, and skills.

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Position: Organist / Accompanist **Church:** Bethlehem Evangelical

Lutheran Church 1240 S. Maple Fairborn, OH 45324

Organ: Allen Services: 2

Contact: Pastor Arthur Casci

Cell: 219-9559 Church: 878-0651 amcasci@gmail.com Job description available upon request from Terry Donat AGO Dayton Placement Chair terrydonat@gmail.com

Dean's Letter



Effie Sue Kemerley, Dean

We organists and choir directors always feel the weeks of December are so busy. But this is also true of spring. Easter is a focus, of course. Yet spring has so much more, with concerts and competitions and recitals tumbling one after another. Our AGO chapter is a part of all this. We had very good attendance, from as far as Ada, Ohio, at our

program March 18, when Johann Sebastian Bach visited Dayton. JS is slimmer than two and a half centuries ago and struggling with twenty-

first century technology, but his English has improved, and he was very genial and informative. (Did we know that he did not write the Minuet and Musette from his Anna Magdalena Song Book?) Our thanks to **Paul Barte** for bringing Herr Bach, and also to **Daniel Yoder**, **Donna**



J S Bach at birthday party

Reece and **Jill-Ann Bryant** for their music and the lovely reception.

I encourage you all to make the trip to Piqua for our next AGO programs, an **organ concert Friday, April 27**, and **workshop Saturday, April 28**. We appreciate **Phyllis Warner** arranging both these events for us. And finally, mark **Sunday, May 20**, on your calendars for the last meeting of the year, our **Organ Academy recital** at Kettering Adventist Church.

• Dayton Chapter Concerns:

Connie Klarer's husband **David** has passed. Funeral service was at St. Christopher's Episcopal Church in Fairborn, Wednesday, March 14th. Connie was Dean of our Chapter in the mid-60s.

Chicago/Midwest Organ Historical Society Convention July 8-13 in the City of BIG SOUNDS!

For a spectacular "Summerfest" of organ recitals, join fellow organ lovers in one of America's most popular destinations—Chicago—for an outstanding Organ Historical Society National Convention, July 8 - 13.

Hear the legendary, newly restored Skinner at Rockefeller Chapel, played by Nathan Laube. Hear Holy Name Cathedral's Flentrop, the Casavant at Orchestra Hall, Hook & Hastings, E.M. Skinner, C.B. Fisk, and many more. Other musicians include some of the finest players of our day—Ken Cowan, Wolfgang Rubsam, Jonathan Ryan and David Schrader are among the host of extraordinary talent.

Be transported by air conditioned motor coaches to splendid venues (included with your registration). Most meals are included in the registration fee, and hotel rates are only \$135 a night for up to four guests per room. This will be a truly memorable event! Daily registration is available, but why miss part of the fun? Plan to enjoy the entire week! See details at http://www.organsociety.org/2012/teaser.html Register by phone at 804-353-9226 or visit

http://www.organsociety.org/2012/registration.html

Invite a young person under age 27, who will only pay \$315.

Keep The New Members Coming!

Please let me know if you are acquainted with a church whose organist/musician/keyboard person might benefit from our chapter meetings and newsletter. I can follow up with email or a note enclosing our membership form, encouraging them to participate.

Ellen Bagley, Membership Chair

And now for some goof-off time. Check out the items below. Thanks to those who forwarded these to us!

A Woodworker's Musical Masterpiece

This gives new meaning to organ building! Check it out online at

http://shar.es/pZlhs Source: finewoodworking.com

For some belated April Fool fun check out the April issue of the newsletter of the DC Chapter. The PDF is at top of the message with our April Trumpetings PDF.

